

1. A security article comprising:

a light transmissive substrate having a first surface and an opposing second surface, the first surface having a diffraction grating pattern or a holographic image pattern thereon; and

a color shifting optical coating overlying the second surface of the substrate, said optical coating including a polymeric medium and a plurality of color shifting multilayer optical interference flakes dispersed in the polymeric medium.

2. The security article of claim 1, wherein at least some of the flakes comprise an absorber layer, a dielectric layer, and a reflector layer.

3. The security article of claim 1, wherein at least some of the flake comprise a first absorber layer, a dielectric layer, and a second absorber layer.

4. A security article comprising:

a light transmissive substrate having a first surface and an opposing second surface, the first surface having a diffraction grating pattern or a holographic image pattern thereon, said substrate having a plurality of color shifting flakes dispersed therein.

